

**NORTH CAROLINA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

Michael F. Easley, Governor

James T. Fain, III, Secretary

August 30, 2007

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
Room TW-204B
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: CC Docket 96-45 and 00-256
Certification Under 47 U.S.C. 254(e)
(NCUC Docket No. P-100, Sub 133n)

Dear Secretary Dortch:

The North Carolina Rural Electrification Authority (NCREA) hereby submits its certification in accordance with 47 C.F.R. 54.314. This section of the Commission's rules requires state certification in order to allow rural incumbent local exchange carriers, or eligible telecommunications carriers in rural service areas, to receive federal high-cost support.

As required by 47 C.F.R. 54.314, the NCREA certifies that Atlantic Telephone Membership Corporation, Piedmont Telephone Membership Corporation, Randolph Telephone Membership Corporation, Skyline Telephone Membership Corporation, Star Telephone Membership Corporation, Surry Telephone Membership Corporation, Tri-County Telephone Membership Corporation, Wilkes Telephone Membership Corporation and Yadkin Valley Telephone Membership Corporation are eligible to receive "hold harmless" federal support during the period of January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008. The NCREA further certifies that these Companies will use such federal support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of the facilities and service for which the support is intended.

Sincerely,

T. Scott Poole
Administrator
North Carolina Rural Electrification Authority

Attachments (9)

c: Karen Majcher, Vice President
High Cost and Low Income Division
Universal Service Administrative Company
2000 L Street NW, Suite 200
Washington, DC 20036

cc: TMC Managers w/o

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Brunswick County

Allen Russ, Being duly sworn, does depose and say that:

1. He is General Manager for Atlantic Telephone Membership Corporation, a North Carolina Telephone Membership Corporation and that he is authorized to sign this affidavit on behalf of the company.
2. He is familiar with the federal high cost support to be received by Atlantic Telephone Membership Corporation during the next calendar year and that such federal high cost support will be used only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

This 2nd day of August 2007

ATLANTIC TELEPHONE MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION

BY: 
General Manager

NORTH CAROLINA


ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

BRUNSWICK COUNTY

I, Rhynne Page, a Notary Public, hereby certify that Allen Russ, after being duly sworn, personally appeared before me and stated that he is General Manager of Atlantic Telephone Membership Corporation, and that the facts stated in the above affidavit are true and that he is authorized to execute the affidavit on behalf of Atlantic Telephone Membership Corporation. Witness my hand and seal this 2nd day of August 2007.

RHYNE STEPHENS PAGE
NOTARY PUBLIC
Brunswick County
North Carolina

(NOTARY SEAL)


Notary Public

My commission expires: 3-10-2010

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Davidson County

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Michael W. Stanley, being duly sworn, does depose and say that:

1. He is General Manager for Piedmont Telephone Membership Corporation, a North Carolina Telephone Membership Corporation and that he is authorized to sign this affidavit on behalf of the company.
2. He is familiar with the federal high cost support to be received by Piedmont Telephone Membership Corporation during the next calendar year and that such federal high cost support will be used only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

This 27th day of August, 2007

PIEDMONT TELEPHONE MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION

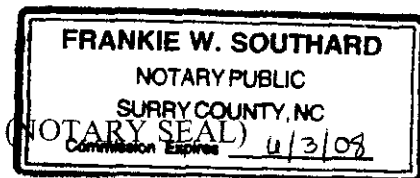
By: 
General Manager

NORTH CAROLINA

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

SURRY COUNTY

I, Frankie W Southard, a Notary Public hereby certify that Michael W. Stanley, after being duly sworn, personally appeared before me and stated that he is General Manager of Piedmont Telephone Membership Corporation, and that the facts stated in the above affidavit are true and that he is authorized to execute the affidavit on behalf of Piedmont Telephone Membership Corporation. Witness my hand and seal this 27th day of August, 2007.




Notary Public

My commission expires: 6/3/08

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF RANDOLPH

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BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, appeared Steve A. Cox, who deposed and said:

1. My name is Steve A. Cox. I am employed by Randolph Telephone Membership Corporation as its General Manager. I am an officer of the Company and am authorized to give this affidavit on behalf of the Company. This affidavit is being given to support the North Carolina Rural Electrification Authority's certification as contemplated in 47 C.F.R. §54.314.
2. Randolph Telephone Membership Corporation hereby certifies that it will use the federal high-cost support it receives during 2008 for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and service for which such support is intended.

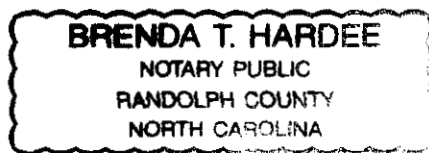
FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

Signature: _____

Title: General Manager

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF RANDOLPH

Acknowledged before me this 30th day of May, 2007 by Steve A. Cox, as General Manager of Randolph Telephone Membership Corporation, who is personally known to me or produced identification and who did take an oath.



Brenda T. Hardee
NOTARY PUBLIC

My commission expires: March 30, 2012

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Ashe County

REA

John R. Dixon, being duly sworn, does depose and say that:

1. He is Chief Executive Officer for SkyLine Membership Corporation, a North Carolina Telephone Membership Corporation, and that he is authorized to sign this affidavit on behalf of the company.
2. He is familiar with the federal high cost support to be received by SkyLine Membership Corporation during the next calendar year and that such federal high cost support will be used only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

This 15th day of August 2007

SKYLINE MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION


By: 
Chief Executive Officer

NORTH CAROLINA

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

ASHE COUNTY

I, Pamela Tribble Weaver, a Notary Public hereby certify that John R. Dixon, after being duly sworn, personally appeared before me and stated that he is Chief Executive Officer of Skyline Telephone Membership Corporation, and that the facts stated in the above affidavit are true and that he is authorized to execute the affidavit on behalf of Skyline Telephone Membership Corporation. Witness my hand and seal this 15th day of August, 2007.



Notary Public

(NOTARY SEAL)

My commission expires: July 24, 2011

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Sampson County

REA

Lyman M. Horne, Jr., being duly sworn, does depose and say that:

1. He is Executive Vice President and General Manager of Star Telephone Membership Corporation, a North Carolina Telephone Membership Corporation, and he is authorized to sign this affidavit on behalf of the company.
2. He is familiar with the federal high cost support to be received by Star Telephone Membership Corporation during the next calendar year and that such federal high cost support will be used only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

This 13th day of August 2007.

STAR TELEPHONE MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION

By: *Lyman M. Horne*
Executive Vice President and General Manager

North Carolina

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Sampson County

I, Lori P. Pearson, a Notary Public hereby certify that Lyman M. Horne, Jr. after being duly sworn, personally appeared before me and stated that he is General Manager of Star Telephone Membership, and that the facts stated in the above affidavit are true and that he is authorized to execute the affidavit on behalf of Star Telephone Membership Corporation. Witness my hand and seal this 13th day of August 2007.

Lori P. Pearson

Lori P. Pearson

Notary Public

(NOTARY SEAL)

My commission expires: April 10, 2012

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Surry County

REA

Michael W. Stanley, being duly sworn, does depose and say that:

1. He is General Manager for Surry Telephone Membership Corporation, a North Carolina Telephone Membership Corporation and that he is authorized to sign this affidavit on behalf of the company.
2. He is familiar with the federal high cost support to be received by Surry Telephone Membership Corporation during the next calendar year and that such federal high cost support will be used only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

This 27th day of August, 2007

SURRY TELEPHONE MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION

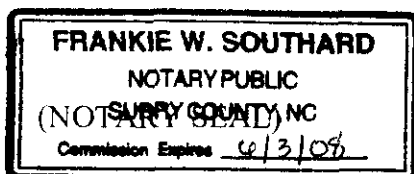
By: *Michael W. Stanley*
General Manager

NORTH CAROLINA

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

SURRY COUNTY

I, Frankie W. Southard, a Notary Public hereby certify that Michael W. Stanley, after being duly sworn, personally appeared before me and stated that he is General Manager of Surry Telephone Membership Corporation, and that the facts stated in the above affidavit are true and that he is authorized to execute the affidavit on behalf of Surry Telephone Membership Corporation. Witness my hand and seal this 27th day of August, 2007.



Frankie W. Southard
Notary Public

My commission expires: 6/3/08

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BEAUFORT COUNTY

Dennis M. Wallace, Jr., being duly sworn, does depose and say that:

1. He is Chief Executive Officer for Tri-County Telephone Membership Corporation, a North Carolina Telephone Membership Corporation and that he is authorized to sign this affidavit on behalf of the company.
2. He is familiar with the federal high cost support to be received by Tri-County Telephone Membership Corporation during the next calendar year and that such federal high cost support will be used only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

This 27th day of August 2007

TRI-COUNTY TELEPHONE MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION

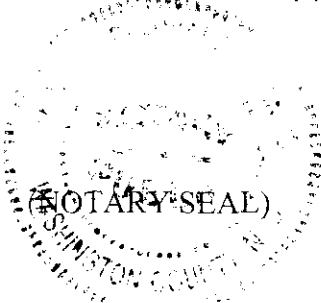
By: _____

Chief Executive Officer

NORTH CAROLINA

BEAUFORT COUNTY

I, James Blakburn Hester, a Notary Public hereby certify that Dennis M. Wallace, Jr., after being duly sworn, personally appeared before me and stated that he is Chief Executive Officer of Tri-County Telephone Membership Corporation, and that the facts stated in the above affidavit are true and that he is authorized to execute the affidavit on behalf of Tri-County Telephone Membership Corporation. Witness my hand and seal this 27th day of August 2007.



James Blakburn Hester
Notary Public

My commission expires July 22, 2008

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Wilkes County

REA

C. E. Ritenour, Jr., being duly sworn, does depose and say that:

1. He is General Manager for Wilkes Telephone Membership Corporation, a North Carolina Telephone Membership Corporation and that he is authorized to sign this affidavit on behalf of the company.
2. He is familiar with the federal high cost support to be received by Wilkes Telephone Membership Corporation during the next calendar year and that such federal high cost support will be used only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

This 27th day of August, 2007.

WILKES TELEPHONE MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION

By: C. E. Ritenour, Jr.
C. E. Ritenour, Jr., General Manager

NORTH CAROLINA

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

WILKES COUNTY

I, Debra M. Johnson, Notary Public hereby certify that C. E. Ritenour, Jr., after being duly sworn, personally appeared before me and stated that he is General Manager of Wilkes Telephone Membership Corporation, and that the facts stated in the above affidavit are true and that he is authorized to execute the affidavit on behalf of Wilkes Telephone Membership Corporation. Witness my hand and seal this 27th day of August, 2007.

DEBRA M. JOHNSON
Notary Public
Wilkes County, NC

Debra M. Johnson
Notary Public

My commission expires: July 9, 2010

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By:

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

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